For the foregoing reasons, I am of opinion that new Members of the Council may be added to the Select Committee on a Bill being re-committed to it under S. O. 37.

Question proposed: *That Messrs. V. D. Ouseph and C. V. Kuriyan be co-opted to the Select Committee.*

Question put and agreed to.

President.—Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar was telling me about an adjournment motion. You want my order? It does not appear to be a clear case, and it will take some time before I pass an order. I cannot easily say whether it is in order or not.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—We can have it tomorrow.

The House rose for lunch at 2-3 p. m. and met again at 3 p. m. with the Deputy President in the Chair.

5. Election of non-official Members for the Standing Finance Committee.

Deputy President.—Election of Members of the Standing Finance Committee. You have got the forms, I believe. Please note down the names.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—I think that there is no necessity for a vote. We have come to an understanding that Messrs. C. J. Mathew, A. B. Salem and P. Krishna Menon be the Members of the Standing Finance Committee. There will be no opposition, I believe.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—I second it.

Motion put and agreed to.

6. Cochin Free Compulsory Primary Education Bill.

Deputy President.—We shall go on with the Bills for introduction.

The first is Mr. K. T. Mathew's. The Member is absent.

Hence the motion was considered withdrawn.

7. Bill to amend the Cochin Christian Succession Regulation VI of 1097.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—I move that the Bill to amend the Cochin Christian Succession Regulation VI of 1097 be read in Council.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—I second it.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—The objects and reasons are given in detail along with the Bill itself. They will speak for themselves. Of course the main purpose of the Bill is to make better provision—rather enhance the share of inheritance—for women. Personally I am for giving equal shares to sons and daughters. But I thought that may not be very acceptable to

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